



Your passport to adventure

Country(ies): Jordan

Tour type: Private

Transport: A/C car/minivan & Bedouin jeep

Group size: Min: 1 | Max: Any

Days: 7 days

Start Location: Amman, Jordan

End Location: Amman, Jordan

Meals: Breakfasts - 6, Lunches - 1, Dinners - 1



Highlights:

Petra & 'Little Petra', Wadi Rum jeep safari, Sunset camel ride, Wadi Rum desert camp, The Dead Sea, Roman Remains at Jerash, As-Salt, Bethany Baptism Site, King's and Desert Highways

Day 1: Welcome to Jordan! Hotel transfers included

Your Jordanian adventure starts in the busy capital city of Amman. We'll be there to meet and greet you at the airport before we transfer you to your hotel in the city. You have the rest of the day free to explore Amman on your own.

OVERNIGHT:

Amman hotel

MEALS:

EXTRAS:

Extra day in Amman - pre-tour - Standard level

Single Room Supplement (JOTMJU)

Day 2: Exploring the Harmony Trail & the Baptism site at Bethany

We start the day with a visit to the hilltop town of As-Salt, which once served as a trading link between the Jordan Valley and the Eastern Desert. As-Salt is known for its impressive old Islamic architecture which was built using yellow limestone.

Today, the town serves as an example of the religious and cultural friendship between the local Muslim & Christian population. To learn more about As-Salt, we'll head out on a walking tour of its 'Harmony Trail', which will give you greater insight into the lives of the locals.

We'll have lunch with a local family today, giving you your first taste of Jordanian cuisine (this is group size dependent, if the group is too large, we will head to a local restaurant).

After lunch, we make our way to the Baptism site at Bethany, which is an excavated site believed to be the place where John baptised Jesus Christ. Many churches, caves and pools dating back to Roman & Byzantine periods have been found here. We'll also visit three of its most important sites: Tell Mar Elias, the Baptism Pools and John the Baptist's Church.

We'll return to our hotel in Amman where we'll spend the night.

OVERNIGHT:

Amman hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast,Lunch

EXTRAS:

Day 3: Travel to Petra

We leave Amman today, driving along the scenic King's Highway to Petra. We'll drive slowly, giving you time to take in the beauty of your surroundings as we pass through deep wadis, olive groves and rural villages.

We'll stop at Madaba to see the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George, which is famed for its 6th century-old Byzantine mosaic map of the Holy Land. We'll also visit Mount Nebo, which is known to be the burial place of Moses.

Next, we'll stop at the Kerak Castle, which is one of a few Crusader Fortresses spread across Jordan. The castle was built in the 12th century and provides breath-taking views of the surrounding hills and plains.

There is an option is available tonight to get a first taste of the rose-red city by booking the Petra by Candlelight tour. If this is something you would like to experience, please chat to your travel consultant.

OVERNIGHT:

Petra hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Petra by night

Day 4: Exploring Petra

We spend most of the day exploring the famous Nabatean site of Petra, which is situated at the edge of Wadi Aruba. One of the best ways to get to Petra is by travelling through the Siq - a narrow gorge which cuts through its towering canyon walls and surrounding hills.

Once we get to Petra, you will notice that there are few freestanding buildings. The Nabateans preferred to carve their homes into the sandstone cliffs.

We'll head out on a guided tour of Petra, before you get some time to do some exploring on your own. We'll take you through the Siq until we reach the Khazneh, one of Petra's most spectacular temples. You'll also get insight into the lives of the Nabateans and find out how they carved their homes into the sandstone rock faces.

Next, we visit the ancient ruined Roman Amphitheatre and explore Petra's colonnaded streets before you're given time to explore on your own. Be sure to visit the Monastery - Petra's largest carved monument. The walk to the Monastery is tiring, but the views are rewarding. If you still have enough energy, you can also hike up to the High Place of Sacrifice and the Lion Fountain.

We say goodbye to Petra today as we make our way into the Wadi Rum Desert, where we'll be staying in a Bedouin Camp, taking in the beauty of the towering rocks and cliffs around us. We'll enjoy a traditional Jordanian meal here as we relax and marvel at the starry skies above us.

OVERNIGHT:

Bedouin camp in Wadi Rum

MEALS:

Breakfast,Dinner

EXTRAS:

Day 5: Wadi Rum Jeep safari & visiting the Dead Sea

We start the day with a jeep safari, exploring the rugged desert scenery of Wadi Rum. Look out for the copper-coloured rocky jebels, which mesmerised TE Lawrence during his visit to the desert during the Arab Revolt and was later featured in the movie, Lawrence of Arabia.

We leave Wadi Rum later today and make our way towards the Dead Sea, which is the lowest point on earth coming in at 400 metres below sea level. The Dead Sea is also one of the world's most spiritual landscapes, filled with dramatic, natural wonders.

Numerous rivers run into the Dead Sea, including the River Jordan. Once the water reaches the Dead Sea, they become land-locked and eventually evaporates, leaving a dense, rich mixture of salt and minerals behind.

We'll stop to enjoy a 'swim' in the Dead Sea's salty waters, which will be a unique experience as the salinity makes it virtually impossible to swim but rather to float or sit in its waters. We finish the day back at our hotel in Amman.

OVERNIGHT:

Amman hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Amman – evening food tasting tour

Day 6: Amman & Jerash

Today we head out on a city tour of Amman, taking in its rich history which dates back many millennia. We'll start with a visit to the Citadel - the former home of the ancient temple of Hercules, the Umayyad Palace, Byzantine Church and the ancient Roman theatre, which is still being used today to host various cultural events.

Next, we make our way to Jerash, one of the most well-preserved Roman architecture sites on the planet. Jerash was hidden underneath sand for centuries and over the past 70 years, archaeological work has uncovered that Jerash was once a fine example of Roman urbanism, boasting paved and colonnaded streets, hilltop temples, public squares and plazas.

OVERNIGHT:

Amman hotel

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Amman – evening food tasting tour

Day 7: Free time in Amman, airport transfer included

You have the day free to explore Amman before being transferred to the airport.

If you would like to squeeze in some more sightseeing, we can assist with optional day trips such as a visit to Aljoun Castle.

If you wish to extend the tour, we can arrange a transfer to Tel Aviv either by flight or overland for people wanting to connect this tour with our Biblical Israel tour departure which starts on Sunday. Extensions to spend time at a resort in the Red Sea town or Aqaba are also available.

Note: options and extensions are subject to flight departure times and may require extra days

adding to your tour.

OVERNIGHT:

N/A

MEALS:

Breakfast

EXTRAS:

Aqaba extension

Extra day in Amman - post-tour

Pella and Umm Qais

Included:

- 5 nights accommodation in 5-star hotels
- 1 night in a comfortable Bedouin camp in Wadi Rum
- All transport and transfers in AC vehicles except Bedouin jeep in Wadi Rum
- 24-hour airport arrival & departure transfer service
- Services of an English speaking escort driver throughout
- Professional guide for the tours in Jerash and Petra (may be extended to the whole tour)
- 4x4 jeep safari in Wadi Rum
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Options

Our tours are designed to include all that you need to enjoy a really special time in the destination you're visiting. However, we do also offer some extra options to complement the tour and add some additional sightseeing or activities, or some extra time at either end of the tour.

Private guide supplement (5 days) - OPJOG5



From \$0

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

The standard arrangements for this tour are for an English speaking escort driver to accompany you throughout your time with us in Jordan. They will be able to talk to you about Jordan, give you information about modern life in the country, advise you on food & drink and discuss timings, adjustments to your itinerary and places to stop en-route. They are not however professional guides and while they will be able to provide some basic information, they will not be able to accompany you inside many of the sites or give detailed historical facts or background.

We do include a professional guide in Jerash and in Petra on this tour. However, if you would like to be accompanied by a professional guide for the full duration of the tour then please add this option onto your

booking.

Prices shown cover the guide joining you for the whole tour apart from your arrival and departure days, and also include the guide's accommodation and meals. The price shown is a total amount, and will only be added to your booking once, regardless of the number of travellers in your party.

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Amman – evening food tasting tour



From \$0

Min numbers:

*Based on person/s

This evening tour of Amman provides a great taste of traditional Jordanian food. We take a walk down Rainbow Street and through Downtown Amman, checking out the various local restaurants and street food available. Your guide will give you plenty of explanations of what is on offer, and what are the local favourites.

During the tour we'll try several different dishes, starting with a snack of either Manakish (with its various toppings of egg, white cheese or za'atar) or a classic falafel sandwich. Then in Downtown Amman we'll try

a main meal, perhaps the Jordanian national dish of Mansaf, slow cooked lamb with rice and yoghurt sauce. Finally we'll try one of the cities famous desserts like Knafeh from one of the popular local sweet shops. All 3 dishes are included in the price of the tour, plus transfers to and from your hotel, but you'll need to pay for your own drinks.

A supplement will apply if there is only one person on the tour. The tour can also be booked locally, subject to availability of guides & transport.

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